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**ICC TO HOST PUBLIC HEARINGS ON SBC/ATT
SERVICE RECLASSIFICATION**

The Illinois Commerce Commission will host public hearings this month on the SBC/ATT's reclassification of certain residential telecommunications services as competitive in the Chicago metropolitan area.

SBC/ATT filed late last year to reclassify a variety of residential telecommunications services, including network access lines, ISDN direct lines, local usage, directory listing services, billing services and service packages. The Commission initiated an investigation into the reclassification (Docket 06-0027), to determine if competitive options are actually available to customers in Chicago and the surrounding area.

Public hearings on the reclassification will begin at 7 p.m. and will be held as follows:

- * Wednesday, February 22, Tinley Park Village Hall, 16250 South Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park;
- * Thursday, February 23, Skokie Village Hall, 5127 Oakton, Skokie

The public is invited to attend and offer comment on the reclassification. Written and oral statements will be accepted.

Among the specific services SBC/ATT has reclassified are flat rate packages, enhanced flat rate packages and a number of special service packages such as BASICS Choice, uSelect 3, 2line uSelect3 and the BASICS package.

A complete listing of services that have been reclassified may be found in e-docket on the Commission's website, icc.illinois.gov. The case is listed on e-docket system as docket number 06-0027.

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